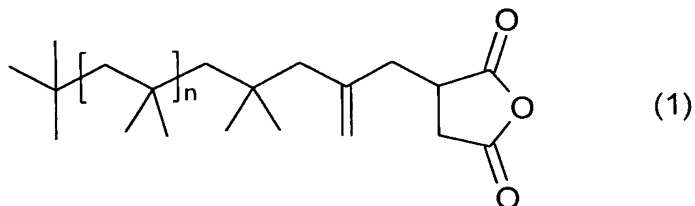


ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The invention relates to cosmetic and pharmaceutical compositions containing at least one emulsifier comprising

- a) at least one alkyl chain and/or alkenyl chain having at least 28 carbon atoms obtainable by polymerization of (C₂-C₅)-alkenes and which is linked with
- b) at least one carboxylic acid, carboxylic acid derivative, carboxylic anhydride, carboxylic anhydride derivative, ester and/or amide group.

Particularly preferred emulsifiers are alkenylsuccinic anhydrides according to formula (1) and derivatives thereof,



in which n is equal to or greater than 4.